opinion of him for his intention towards her Majesty, whose death, he protested upon his saUation, he never meant, nor violence to her person yet he confessed that he had received an honourable trial and was justly condemned For his religion, he declared that he was never atheist nor papist, but hoped, as a true Christian, for his salvation from God only, by the mercy and merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, crucified for our sins

Then he put off his gown and ruff, and went up before tie block He called for the executioner, who on his Lnees asked him pardon, to whom he said, * Thou art welcome to me, I forgive thee, thou art the minister of justice * Then he kneeled down on the straw, and, with his eyes fixed to heaven and with long and passionate pauses in his speeches, he prayed unpremeditatedly, craving strength to rely to his last gasp *on* the promises of Christ and to have no worldly thought but only God before him He then repeated the Lord's prayer, in which all present joined with floods of tears and lamentation,

One of the divines put him in mind to say over his Belief, which he did, the doctor saying it softly before him He was likewise remembered to forgive and pray for his enemies

Whereupon he beseeched God to forgive them as freely as he did, [c] because,[3] said he, [c] they bear the image of God as well as myself'

Then his doublet being taken off, he stood up in a scarlet waistcoat, and bowing himself before the block, he said, * O God give me true humility and patience to endure to the end, and I pray you all to pray with me and for me, and when yon shall see me stretch out my arms and my neck on the block, and the

stroke ready to be given, it would please the Everlasting God to send down His angels to carry my soul before His Mercy Seat * Lying flat along one of the boards, his hands stretched out, he said, * Lord have mercy upon me, Thy prostrate servant[3]; and therewithal fitting his head to the block he was willed by one of the doctors to say the beginning of the 5ist Psalm, whereof when he had said two verses, the executioner being prepared, he uttered these words, * Executioner, strike home Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus, and receive my soul O Lord into thy hands I commend my spirit.[9] In the midst of which sentence